

**MINUTES OF HAMILTON COUNTY COUNCIL, SEPTEMBER 3RD, 2003, 7:00 P.M.  
GENERALIZED SUMMARY**

**VERBATIM DISCUSSION ON TAPE ON FILE IN AUDITOR'S OFFICE  
2004 BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING**

President Meredith Carter called to order the Public Hearing of the 2004 Budget at 7:00:42 p.m. President asked for Public Comments regarding the budget. No comments were made. Public Hearing was closed at 7:00:59 p.m.

President Carter called to order the regular meeting of the Hamilton County Council at 7:01:19 p.m. Auditor Mills called role: Steve Schwartz, Jim Belden, Meredith Carter John Hiatt and Judy Levine, Jim Wallace. Councilor McKinney arrived at 7:09:00 p.m.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilor Levine.

[7:03:00] Councilor Belden moved to approve minutes of August 6, 2003. Councilor Hiatt seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

**Public Comments:**

[7:03:21] Mr. Dwight Crowmer of the Hoosier Heritage Port Authority updated the council on the Tea21 grant funds and the Industrial Rail Service Grant which totaled \$1.3 million dollars. Bid letting has been delayed because of a conflict between INDOT and MPO but anticipate the bids to go forward in January 04.

[7:07:20] Mr. David Hendricks 7440 E. 256th Street addressed the council regarding intersection of 256th Street & Gwinn Road and lack of cooperation from Prosecutor's office regarding ex-wife who has been stalking him.

**COMMITTEE / OFFICER REPORTS**

**President**

**Vice President**

**Highway [7:11:45]**

Councilor McKinney reported committee met, items will be discussed as they come up during meeting.

**Finance [7:12:00]**

Councilor Carter reported committee met and discussed funding of Juvenile Detention Center. Councilor Belden reported the finance committees recommendation was the county should go forward with building new facility. Councilor Belden also discussed the assumptions the committee felt were important.

1. Bond issue should cover all costs including furnishing equipment, infrastructure, technology, computers, total turn key operation.
2. Expect zero overruns on project and hope Commissioners will not be back requesting

additional funds.

3. Hope Commissioners will be responsible for a quality facility with no cutting corners.
4. Expect Commissioners and other responsible officers will be accountable to meet assumptions and not exceed projections as provided in the operational costs.
5. If the Council should observe numbers are not being met the budget will be reduced appropriately.
6. Council would like to see a reconciliation of the goals and assumptions on the following schedules January - June and July - December
7. Council intends to seek creative financing to cover operating expense.
8. Cost of residential outsourcing starting in 2006 needs to be reduced by 50%.

[7:16:26] Councilor Wallace stated he would support new facility conditioned upon the following:

1. Reconcile population count between Husky study and Hamilton County School Districts.
2. Execute locked in agreements with surrounding counties to utilize excess capacity which arises out of reconciliation between two population counts.
3. Delineate distinctly and very clearly to the courts that they can't use space that is allocated to surrounding counties.

[7:19:50] Councilor Levine moved to approve bond not to exceed \$31,575,000 for Juvenile Detention Center. Councilor Schwartz seconded motion.

[7:24:15] Mike Howard stated if motion passes this evening Council should anticipate having a Preliminary Determination Resolution, Additional Appropriation to cover design costs for project and a Reimbursement Resolution so all funds expended in design are reimbursed at the October 1, 2003 meeting.

[7:36:55] Motion to approve bond issue (not to exceed) \$31,575,000 carried (6-1) with Councilor McKinney against.

## **Personnel**

## **Miscellaneous**

### **Commissioner Report [7:37:22]**

Commissioner Altman stated Brad Davis, Highway Director will review Mr. David Hendricks concerns if he would forward those concerns to the Highway.

Bridge at 113th Street just east of Olio Road over Thorpe Creek collapsed after recent flooding. Good news is bridge was scheduled for replacement in 2004 however the design has not been completed. Every effort is being made to get design finished.

Intend to meet with EMA, Highway, Surveyor, Sheriff to establish a more detailed crisis plan to coordinate departments better.

Household Hazardous Waste will be ran by the Health Department on a turn key basis. \$400,000 budget has been prepared. Budget includes compensation to Carmel to cover costs that

they would be taken in in terms of waste at our disposal costs. Still do not know where we are with our maximum levy.

Prosecutor Relocation: Only thing that has been discussed at Commissioners is retention of an architectural firm. Everyone supports relocation of Prosecutor but numbers have not been discussed.

## **Unfinished/Tabled Business**

### **New Business**

#### **Additional, Transfers and Amend Form 144**

[7:45:40] Councilor Levine moved to approve Auditor's additional request of \$44,640 in line item 101.003.000.3834 ITC Deduction Project. Councilor McKinney seconded motion. Motion carried (7-0).

[7:49:00] Councilor Belden moved to approve Commissioner's additional request of \$10,000 in line item 101.011.000.3806 White River Clean Up. Councilor Hiatt seconded motion. Motion carried (7-0).

[7:49:35] Councilor Levine moved to table Commissioner's additional request of \$253,746 in 101.011.000.3713 Contractual. (Prosecutor's office relocation) Councilor McKinney seconded motion to table. Motion carried (7-0).

[7:55:16] Councilor Levine moved to approve Jail 144 amendment of positions 1038 Dispatch Supervisor at \$42,723, 051 Dispatch Supervisor at \$38,427 and 1055 Assistant Communications at \$43,134. Councilor Belden seconded motion. Motion carried (7-0).

[7:56:02] Councilor Belden moved to approve Jail additional request of \$2,261 in line items 101.027.000.1051 Dispatch Supervisor \$936 and 101.027.000.1055 Assistant Communications Director \$1,325. Councilor Hiatt seconded. Motion carried (7-0).

[7:56:21] Councilor Levine moved to approve Treasurer additional request of \$9,629 in line item 101.045.000.2001 Office Supplies. Councilor Belden seconded motion. Motion carried (7-0).

[7:57:23] Councilor Belden moved to approve Veteran Services additional request of \$19,500 in line item 101.049.000.3808 Veterans burial. Councilor Schwartz seconded motion. Motion carried (7-0).

[7:57:45] Councilor Belden moved to approve Weights & Measures 144 amendment of 1002 Inspector to \$35,785 and transfer of \$577 from 101.053.000.1001 Director to 101.053.000.1002 Assistant Inspector. Councilor Schwartz seconded motion. Motion carried (7-0).

[7:58:22] Councilor Levine moved to approve Local Road and Street additional request of \$270,000 in 112.000.000.4014 Bituminous. Councilor Schwartz seconded motion. Motion carried (7-0).

[7:58:44] Councilor Hiatt moved to approve E911 additional request of \$2,261 in 119.000.000.3851 Salary Supplement. Councilor Levine seconded motion. Motion carried (7-0).

[7:59:16] Councilor Levine moved to approve Major Bridge additional request of \$1,000,000 in 120.000.000.2620 Bridge #262. Councilor McKinney seconded motion. Motion carried (7-0)

[8:05:31] Councilor Levine moved to approve 156 Construction Fund additional request of \$386,650 in line item 156.085.000.2620. Councilor McKinney seconded motion. Motion carried (7-0).

[8:05:50] Councilor Levine moved to approve 156 Construction Fund reduction of appropriation in line items 156.085.000.0160 by \$77.23; 156.085.000.0208 Field Drive over White River by \$61,704.84 and 156.085.000.3929 R/W Services & Land by \$324,867.60. Councilor McKinney seconded motion. Motion carried (7-0)

[8:06:45] Councilor McKinney moved to approve Highway Coit additional request of \$95,000 in line items 283.000.000.3957 96th & Olivo Interlocal \$20,000 and 283.000.000.4020 Trucks \$75,000. Councilor Schwartz seconded motion. Motion carried (7-0).

[8:08:24] Councilor McKinney moved to approve Storm Water Phase II additional request of \$188,058 in 384.000.000.3713 Other Contractual Services. Councilor Levine seconded motion. Motion carried (7-0).

#### **ATTORNEY'S COMMENTS**

Requested he be added to Executive Session agenda on October 1, 2003 at 6:00 p.m.

#### **AUDITOR'S COMMENTS - None**

[8:12:42] Councilor Levine moved to adjourn meeting. Councilor Belden seconded. Meeting adjourned 8:13:00.

#### **Those present:**

Thomas Firks, Riverview Hospital

Christine Altman, Commissioner

Brad Davis, Highway

BJ Casali, ISS

Julie Crask, ISS

Dwight Crowmer, HHPA

Sally Wilson, Treasurer

Sonia Leerkamp, Prosecutor

Mike Howard, County

Attorney

Mark J. Bowen, HCSD

Jeff Marcum, HCSD

Judy Marcum, Citizen

Jill Jennings, HCSD

Beth Stickles, Envoy

Dan Stevens, HCSD

Larry Dawson, Envoy

Jim Avidroz, American Consulting

David Hendricks, Citizen

Randy Ruhl, Juvenile Detention Center